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Proposed Class: 606

Subclass: 198

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### **NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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WARNING: 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(a)(1) points out:

"(a) A patent is applied for in the name or names of the actual inventor or inventors.

"(1) The inventorship of a nonprovisional application is that inventorship set forth in the oath or declaration as prescribed by § 1.63, except as provided for in § 1.53(d)(4) and § 1.63(d). If an oath or declaration as prescribed by § 1.63 is not filed during the pendency of a nonprovisional application, the inventorship is that inventorship set forth in the application papers filed pursuant to § 1.53(b), unless a petition under this paragraph accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(i) is filed supplying or changing the name or names of the inventor or inventors."

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. Benefi	it of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, or 121)

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NOTE: A nonprovisional application may claim an invention disclosed in one or more prior filed copending nonprovisional applications or copending international applications designating the United States of America. In order for a nonprovisional application to claim the benefit of a prior filed copending nonprovisional application or copending international application designating the United States of America, each prior application must name as an inventor at least one inventor named in the later filed nonprovisional application and disclose the named inventor's invention claimed in at least one claim of the later filed nonprovisional application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. \$ 112. Each prior application must also be:

- (f) An international application entitled to a filing date in accordance with PCT Article 11 and designating the United States of America: or
  - (ii) Complete as set forth in § 1.51(b); or
- (ii) Entitled to a filing date as set forth in § 1.53(b) or § 1.53(d) and include the basic filing fee set forth in § 1.16; or

(iv) Entitled to a filing date as set forth in § 1.53(b) and have paid therein the processing and retention fee set forth in § 1.21(f) within the time period set forth in § 1.53(f).

37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(1).

NOTE: If the new application being transmitted is a divisional, continuation or a continuation-in-part of a parent case, or where the parent case is an International Application which designated the U.S., or benefit of a prior provisional application is claimed, then check the following item and complete and attach ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICA-TION(S) CLAIMED.

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WARNING:	When the transpay of pendency of a provisional application falls a staturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, any nonprovisional application claiming benefit of the provisional application must be filed prior to the Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3).
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Σ	Add the claims shown on the attached amendment. (Claims added have been numbered consecutively following the highest numbered original claims.)
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□ F	om PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
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1		Declaration of Biological Deposit
!		Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.
(		Authorization of Attorney(s) to Accept and Follow Instructions from Representative
{		Special Comments
(		Other
5. De	cla	ration or oath (including power of attorney)
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		☐ inventor(s).
		legal representative of inventor(s). 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.42 or 1.43.
		<ul> <li>joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who refused to sign or cannot be reached.</li> </ul>
		☐ This is the petition required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 and the statement required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 is also attached. See item 13 below for fee.
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	·	Application is made by a person authorized under 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c) on behalf of all the above named inventor(s).

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NOTE: "If an assignment is submitted with a new application, send two separate letters-one for the application and one for the assignment." Notice of May 4, 1990 (1114 O.G. 77-78).

WARNING: A newly executed "CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)" must be filed when a continuation-in-part application is filed by an assignee. Notice of April 30, 1993, 1150 O.G. 62-64.

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12. Reque	est for International-Type Search (37 C.F.R. § 1.1	04(d))
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		For processing an application with a specification in a non-English language (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.52(d) and 1.17(k))	\$		
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		Fee for international-type search report (\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(e))	\$		
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15.	Aut	noriz	ation to charge Additional Fees
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			37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
			37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a)).
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NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying, . . . the issue fee. . . " From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b), (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change

of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b).

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# ADDED PAGES FOR APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.78.

#### 17. Relate Back

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NOTE: "Except for a continued prosecution application filed under § 1.53(d), any nonprovisional application

Where more than one reference is made above, please combine all references

### 18. Relate Back—35 U.S.C. § 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

The prior U.S. application(s), including any prior international Application designating the U.S., identified above in item 17B, in turn itself claim(s) foreign priority(ies) as follows:

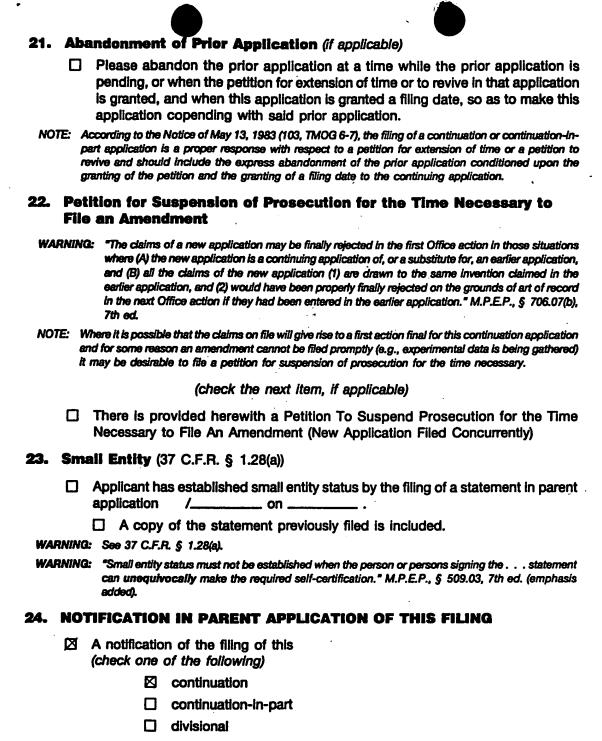
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19.	Ma	intenance of Cope	ndency of Prior Applicat	tion
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A.		Extension of time in	prior application	
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		A petition, fee and reuntil	sponse extends the term in	the pending prior application
		☐ A copy of the p	etition filed in prior application	on is attached.
B.		Conditional Petition f	or Extension of Time in Prior	r Application
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٠		A conditional petition application.	for extension of time is bei	ing filed in the pending prior
		☐ A copy of the co	nditional petition filed in the	prior application is attached.

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## 20. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed

(complete applicable item (a), (b) and/or (c) below)

(a)	М	application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the papplication whose particulars are set out above and the inventor(s) in tapplication are				
		X	the same.			
			less than those named in the prior application. It is requested that the following inventor(s) identified for the prior application be deleted:			
			(type name(s) of inventor(s) to be deleted)			
(b) 🗆	a n	s application discloses and claims additional disclosure by amendment and ew declaration or oath is being filed. With respect to the prior application, inventor(s) in this application are				
			the same.			
			the following additional inventor(s) have been added:			
			(type name(s) of inventor(s) to be added)			
(c)		The	inventorship for all the claims in this application are			
		X	the same.			
			not the same. An explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made			
			is submitted.			
			☐ will be submitted.			



is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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